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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with MPEP 609 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants bring the attached references to the Examiner's attention and request that they be considered and made of record in this application.

No fee is believed to be due for this Information Disclosure Statement. However, if a first Office Action on the merits was mailed before the filing date of this Information Disclosure Statement, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(p) to Deposit Account No. 50-1836.

International Application Publication No. 03/000977 appears to disclose a non-woven fabric made of fluororesin fibers as a primary component. U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0198127 is believed to be equivalent of this reference. U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0198127 is cited for the Examiner's convenience.

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Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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